

<b>CONTINUING (1.53(b)) UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL</b>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td colspan="2">Attorney Docket No. 1533.1001C</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">First Named Inventor: Hitoshi Nurusawa</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Title:</td> <td>HEARING AID</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Express Mail Label No.</td> </tr> </table>	Attorney Docket No. 1533.1001C		First Named Inventor: Hitoshi Nurusawa		Title:	HEARING AID	Express Mail Label No.	
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(Only for continuing applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))									
<b>APPLICATION ELEMENTS</b> See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.	<b>ADDRESS TO:</b> <b>Commissioner for Patents</b> <b>Box Patent Application</b> <b>PO Box 1450</b> <b>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</b>								
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form</li> <li>2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification, Claims &amp; Abstract..... [Total Pages: <u>28</u>]</li> <li>3. <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) (35 USC 113)..... [Total Sheets: <u>9</u>] [FIGS. 1A-1B, 2A-2B, 304, 5A-5B and 6-9]</li> <li>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oath or Declaration..... [Total Pages: <u>3</u>]                a. <input type="checkbox"/> Newly executed (original or copy)                b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))</li> <li>5. <input type="checkbox"/> This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior nonprovisional application.                a. <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DELETE</b> the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:                b. <input type="checkbox"/> The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.</li> <li>6. <input type="checkbox"/> Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status</li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Incorporation by Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked)                The entire disclosure of the prior application (identified in Item 21), from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.</li> <li>8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims foreign priority benefit to: <u>Japanese Application 11-335950 filed November 26, 1999</u></li> <li>9. <input type="checkbox"/> Application Data Sheet. See 37 C.F.R. 1.76</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> CD-Rom or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)</li> <li>11. <input type="checkbox"/> Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)                a. <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Readable Form (CRF)                b. <input type="checkbox"/> Specification Sequence Listing on:                    i. <input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or                    ii. <input type="checkbox"/> paper                c. <input type="checkbox"/> Statement verifying identity of above copies</li> <li>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignment to Shoen Co., Ltd. of Tokyo, Japan and Adphox Corporation, Tokyo, Japan, at Reel 11115, Frame 0889                <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for publication of assignee information under 37 CFR 1.215(b)</li> </ol>									
<b>ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS</b>									
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>13. <input type="checkbox"/> 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> English Translation Document (if applicable)</li> <li>15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Foreign priority benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119 is claimed.                a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) filed in prior application No. 09/662,336.                b. <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) enclosed.                c. <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) to follow.</li> <li>16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of IDS Citations</li> <li>17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment                a. <input type="checkbox"/> enclosed herewith.                b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> incorporated herein (see Box 21).</li> <li>18. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> Request and Certification for Nonpublication under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent</li> <li>20. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:</li> </ol>									

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**21. CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No: 09/662,336.

Prior application information: Examiner: Brian Ensey  
Group/Art Unit: 2643

**Preliminary Amendment:**

- ☒ Cancel in this application original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:--This application is a continuation application of application number 09/662,336, filed September 14, 2000, now pending.--

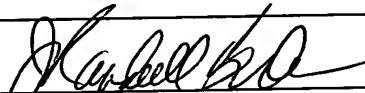
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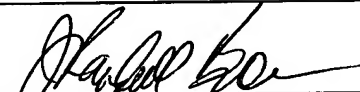


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**23. SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OR AGENT**

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<b>NEW APPLICATION FEE TRANSMITTAL</b>		Attorney Docket No.		1533.1001C			
		Application Number		Unassigned			
		Filing Date		July 8, 2003			
AMOUNT ENCLOSED		\$ 1002.00		First Named Inventor		Hitoshi Narusawa	
<b>FEE CALCULATION</b> (fees effective 10/01/01)							
CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS		
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.							
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